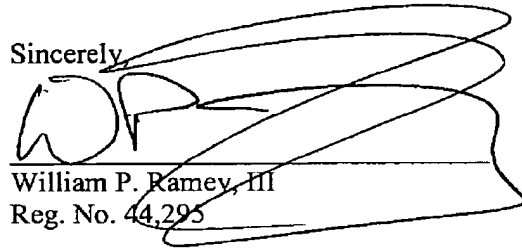


III. Remarks and Conclusion

Applicants have cancelled Claim 5, without prejudice or disclaimer.

The application is believed in a condition for allowance and Applicants respectfully request such action. Please call the undersigned attorney for any assistance in securing allowance of this application. If the Examiner believes an interview would be helpful, Applicants' attorney is available. Please charge deposit account number 02-2334 for any required fees and to credit any credits.

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